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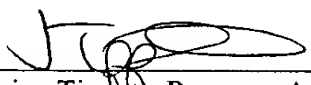
In re Application of:	Germain, et. al.	:	DECISION GRANTING
Application No.:	60/277097	:	PETITION
Filed:	March 19, 2001	:	
Attorney Docket No.:	0267-1904	:	

This is a decision on your petition under 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3), received in the Patent and Trademark Office on March 19, 2002, to convert the above identified application to a non-provisional application under 35 U.S.C. 111 (a) and 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3).

The petition is granted.

The application will be processed in the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) as a non-provisional application under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b), including the assignment of a new non-provisional application number.

The non-provisional application serial number is 09/905,713. The filing receipt for the non-provisional application will be mailed in due course.



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